

THREATENS
THE VILLAGEConroy, Ohio, Having 1,600
People, Endangered.

STARTED BY LIGHTNING

Passengers on Trains from That Station
Report That Indications Are That
Entire Place Will Be Wiped
Out by Flames.

Lima, Ohio, Jan. 16.—Conroy, a village of 1,600 people, near the Indiana state line, is reported to be burning, the fire having started from lightning during last night's storm. Passengers on the Pennsylvania trains, just arrived, say that the indications point to the complete destruction of the town.

Communication with the place by wire is entirely cut off.

FRIENDS TAKE HOPE
FROM LATEST RALLYMarshall Field, Great Merchant, Has a
Chance of Recovery—This Morning
Physicians Reported He Was
Somewhat Improved.

New York, Jan. 16.—At eight o'clock this morning the condition of Marshall Field was reported as improved. His friends are now advancing some hopes for his recovery.

The condition of Mr. Field showed marked improvement early last night. The rally which he experienced in the afternoon continued five hours and so noticeably that Mr. Field improved at the end of this period that those watching at his bedside began to hope for recovery. One of his three physicians, who, earlier in the day, had announced to those at Mr. Field's bedside that practically all hope of saving his life must be abandoned, said yesterday that he believed Mr. Field had a possible chance of regaining his health. During the long rally Mr. Field was perfectly conscious.

Although the great era of congestion was still confined to one lung early last night, the long strain had made great inroads upon Mr. Field's strength and his condition, which was a slight improvement to keep up his vigor. Apparatus for administering oxygen was at hand in case of emergency, but had not been used.

At 9:15 this morning the physicians issued the following bulletin:

"Mr. Field's condition is a little worse this morning, but it was last evening and there is evidence of some extension of the disease. His condition, while critical, is not hopeless."

RECEIVED WITH HONORS.

Ambassador Henry White Returns Briefly
at Gibraltar.

Gibraltar, Jan. 16.—The American ambassador to Italy, Henry White, chief of the American mission to the Moroccan conference, arrived here yesterday from Naples on the North German Lloyd steamer Princess Irene. The steamer had played the American and British anthems as the Princess Irene entered the harbor. A steam launch of the United States cruiser Galveston ran alongside of the liner and took the ambassador on board the armored cruiser Brooklyn, flagship of Rear Admiral Sigbee, where the admiral assembled his officers and received Mr. White with all honors, while the warships fired an ambassadorial salute.

Mr. White hopes to reach Algiers before the arrival of the other delegates from Madrid.

TO TRY TO EASE
SERIOUS SITUATIONInternational Congress Convened at Al-
geria, Spain, Today to Discuss
Germany's Objection to
France's Position.

Algeria, Spain, Jan. 16.—The international congress convened to determine the future disposition of Morocco and to ease the situation brought about by Germany's objection to France's paramount position in the country, opened here today.

AMERICAN TO TAKE CHARGE.

Of French Interests in Venezuela When
Diplomatic Relations Cease.

Paris, Jan. 16.—The positive statement was made at the foreign office yesterday that diplomatic relations between France and Venezuela have not yet been officially broken off. M. Tully, the French chargé d'affaires, still remains at Caracas. A rupture, however, is imminent, though the has not been dispatched. All communication, owing to the interruption of direct telegraphic connection with Caracas, pass through Washington with which capital an understanding exists.

The American minister, Mr. Russell, will take charge of French interests in Venezuela when the official notification of the cessation of diplomatic relations is given.

The reports that the French squadron is proceeding to Venezuela waters are not confirmed, but on the other hand there is no doubt that the officer has maintained the strictest discretion relative to the measures France is likely to adopt.

CONTROL ELECTRIC ROADS.

The Vermont Internal Improvement
Company Plans Some Purchases.

Rutland, Jan. 16.—It is rumored that the Vermont Internal Improvement company will soon purchase a controlling interest in the Troy and Rutland road, and that the company intends to be a leading factor in electric railroad enterprises in Vermont.

SURRENDER VESSEL
TO THE ACTION OF SEACaptain and Crew of the Steamer Chero-
kee Were Taken Off Last Night,
and the Boat Valued at \$500.

000 Will Be Total Loss.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 16.—Captain Archibald, his two mates and the life saving crew, who had refused to leave the steamer Cherokee, which lies stranded on the Brigantine shoals, two miles off shore, last night abandoned the vessel. Waves were rolling over the deck and pounding against the pilot house. The steamer, valued at about half a million dollars, probably will be a total loss. Last night two wrecking tugs and a lighter were standing by the steamer, ready to strip her of whatever is worth the salvage.

During the day, Capt. Mark Cato, who Sunday made the sensational rescue of sixty persons from the steamer, yesterday went out to the stranded vessel in the ship yacht Sinalad and brought ashore all the baggage of the passengers and crew. All the property was forwarded to the owners last night. The first man ashore from the Cherokee yesterday was the ship's carpenter. He reported that the vessel was deep in the sand and the decks nearly awash. He said the captain and the others had been driven from the deck to the pilot house. The next information was brought by Captain Cato when he returned to the light landing here with the baggage. He reported the vessel in a bad position and expected that the captain would have to abandon the steamer by night. No more was heard from the vessel which was hidden by the heavy fog until last night when a telephone message from Brigantine beach brought the tidings that the captain and his comrades had left the steamer and were with the life savers, who were on the steamer, in the care of the life savers.

ALL HOPE ABANDONED.

British Bark Has Not Been Heard from
in 103 Days.

Gloucester, Mass., Jan. 16.—All hope for the safety of the British bark, the *Edith*, from Yagui, Sicily, for this port, has been abandoned. One hundred and eight days have passed since the bark sailed from Trapani with a cargo of salt, and nothing has been heard from her since that time.

Much Wreckage Ashore.

Nantucket, Mass., Jan. 16.—Considerable wreckage, believed to have come from the wrecked barkentine *Altona* on Pollock Rip has come ashore on Muskeget and Tuckernuck. The wreckage included part of a vessel's house, yardarm and sail.

Cordillera Abandoned.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—The steamer *Gulf Kyrr*, from Shields, arrived here yesterday with the crew of the bark *Cordillera*, from St. Johns, N. B., for Buenos Ayres. The vessel was taken off the bark on January 5. The *Cordillera* was abandoned waterlogged and dismasted in latitude 34°41' N., longitude 41°36' west.

ONE SENATOR ADDED.

Added in New York State as Result of
Recent Reapportionment.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 16.—A gain of one state senator, making 51 instead of 50 senators at present, will probably be the only net change in the number of legislators in the reapportionment of districts following the recent state enumeration, the final figures of which were reported to the legislature last night by Secretary of State O'Brien. The new senator will be credited to Kings county, making eight instead of seven from that county. Eight counties will each lose an assemblyman, Albany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego and Rensselaer. These losses are offset by a gain of one in Erie, three in Kings, one in Nassau, two in New York and one in West Chester.

Since the last apportionment the county of Nassau has been organized from a part of Queens, and may be joined with Suffolk as a senate district. The total population is 8,667,208, or a few hundred more than the figures of the preliminary announcement in October.

ADDS CONDEMNATION.

Newcastle Sends One Liberal and One
Labor Candidate.

Newcastle, England, Jan. 16.—The great shipbuilding industry, which thousands of men here employed, has added its condemnation of Mr. Chamberlain's protectionist programme in the elections held here. One liberal candidate and one labor candidate were returned to Parliament. The majority show net gains of over 7,000.

CALLED ON PRESIDENT.

Governor Bell of Vermont Was in the
Delegation.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The legislative committee of the National grange, composed of Governor Bell of Vermont, former Governor Bachelder of New Hampshire, E. B. Norris and Aaron Jones of Indiana, called upon the President yesterday in the interest of bills now pending to remove the internal revenue tax from de-naturalized alcohol and to establish a parcels post service.

KNOCKOUT IN NINTH.

Gus Gardner Put It Over Leo Craig at
Buffalo Last Night.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Gus Gardner of Philadelphia knocked out Leo Craig of Chicago in the ninth round of what was to have been a 15-round bout at the Washington Athletic club last night.

ENDED IN A DRAW.

Prize Fight at Chelsea, Mass., Last Night
Went 15 Rounds.

Chelsea, Mass., Jan. 16.—Clintor Gosselin of Chelsea and Alie Attall of Galloway fought 15 rounds to a draw here last night.

WERE CAGED
AND KILLEDWorkmen Lost Their Lives
in New York Tunnel.

TWO LOST THEIR LIVES

While Several Others Suffered Severe-
ly When Air Pipe Burst and
Let Water Into the
Shaft.

New York, Jan. 16.—Two men were drowned like rats in a cage and two others suffered severely and four more were rendered unconscious in the tunnel being built for the Pennsylvania Railroad company under the East River early today. The men were at work at the bottom of shaft number three which is in the middle of East River on the southerly end of Blackwell's Island, when the air pipe burst and permitted water to enter the shaft.

The water was finally pumped out and the bodies recovered. The names of the dead are: Earl Jones, Nathaniel White, Luther Arthur, a negro, and Arthur Gordon, a negro.

A representative of the contractor's firm was arrested but paroled in custody of his counsel.

GRAND CIRCUIT STEWARDS.

Business Transacted at the New York
Meeting Yesterday.

New York, Jan. 16.—The stewards of the grand circuit held an adjourned meet yesterday and elected George Hayt of Birmingham, presiding judge for the coming season, and Robert N. Newton of Yorkville, Ill., starting judge.

A committee of three appointed at the last meeting, consisting of C. M. Jewett, Dr. Forest Settle and Secretary Moore, presented a report which set forth that it was the sense of this association, that owing to the difference in local conditions, it is inexpedient for the grand circuit to adopt a fixed or arbitrary method of racing, and owing to the diversity of opinion obtaining among the members as to the entrance fees, that the rules of the National Trotting association should be followed. The report was accepted.

GREEK ASPHYXIATED.

It Is Supposed That He Blew Out Gas
In Concord Hotel.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 16.—A Greek whose name as it appears upon the register has not been despatched by the police, was found in an unconscious condition in his room at the Phoenix hotel yesterday, and was taken to the Margaret Pillsbury hospital.

When the man did not appear the room was entered. It was found to be full of gas.

It is supposed that the Greek blew out the gas. His condition is very serious.

YOUTH BEAT VETERAN

FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Willie Hoppe, New York's Wonderful
Billiard Player, Defeated Maurice
Vignaux at Paris Last Night.

Paris, Jan. 16.—Willie Hoppe of New York, who is not yet 19 years old, last night defeated the 60-year-old veteran, Maurice Vignaux of France, in the billiard match here for the championship of the world. The game was for 200 points, 16-inch ball line, one shot allowed in ball. Hoppe won by 177 points. Hoppe's victory was a great surprise. He was considered beaten in the early part of the match, the half-time score being Vignaux 260 and Hoppe 255.

HARVARD'S NEW CAPTAIN.

Foster Was Unanimous Choice Yester-
day Afternoon.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 16.—Hentley Foster, '07, was yesterday afternoon elected captain of the Harvard varsity football eleven for next fall. The selection was unanimous and was made in the hearty approval of the undergraduates as the captain-elect is a very popular man.

All of the members of last year's eleven were present. Foster was left halfback on the team last fall. In his freshman year he was on his class football, basketball and hockey teams. He prepared for college at Hackley's School and lives in Brookline.

TO COACH MORRISVILLE.

Well Known Holyoke, Mass., Basket
Ball Player Davies.

Holyoke, Mass., Jan. 16.—"Tom" Davies, the well-known basket ball player, will leave Holyoke today for Morrisville, Vt., where he will coach the Peoples' academy basket ball team for a short time. The academy team is a strong bidder for the basket ball championship of Vermont, and realizes that proper coaching is needed if the team hopes to land the championship.

BALFOUR GETTING MAD.

Criticism New Government Last Night
in Biting Language.

London, Jan. 16.—Ex-Premier Balfour himself seems to be giving way to irritation. In a speech at Nottingham last night, in which he criticized the new government in a biting manner, he said:

"The language used by one member of the opposition would do credit to a barman. It rather belonged to a 'slanging' match between rowdies quarreling over their cups. It is a mistake to give great responsibilities, and in the case of the one of whom I am thinking of great abilities."

BUYING VERMONT TIMBER.

Standard Oil Company's Representative
Won't State Object.

Rutland, Jan. 16.—J. W. Phillips of New York, said to be a representative of the Standard Oil Company, has been in this vicinity for several days in the interest of the company, who, it is understood, is buying large tracts of woodland in various parts of Vermont. Mr. Phillips left last night for Burlington, where he has an engagement with a man to go over a tract of 30,000 acres of timber land. He would not state the object of his mission, in acquiring these extensive timber interests, but it is estimated that wood pulp is the desired object.

ICE SUPPLY DOUBTFUL.

And Randolph May Be Threatened by
an Ice Famine.

Randolph, Jan. 16.—D. T. Dyer, who has been cutting ice in the upper part of the mill pond for the past week, has his usual supply, about one-third, harvested. Early last summer samples of ice taken from this pond were found by analysis to contain impurities and by order of the state board of health the taking of ice from this pond in the future was forbidden. The order of the state board of health has been modified and Mr. Dyer has permission to cut the ice but the product cannot be used for domestic purposes. The exact elasticity of the term "domestic use" is the subject of discussion that interests the people of Randolph. There are no other visible means for the ice supply for the coming summer and if this supply is shut off Randolph will have an ice famine. Messrs. McCollum and Esterbrook, who intend to cut some ice on the Eldredge fish pond and a spring water pond on Mr. McCollum's farm, would be, according to experts, unable to harvest a sufficient supply for the coming summer. Samples of water taken from the Eldredge pond and McCollum's pond have been analyzed and found to be pure. A sample taken at the same time from Maple lake was found to contain a large amount of ammonia and to be unfit for ice.

PAY OR BE SENT OVER.

Six Burlington Youth's Charged With
Entering Store.

Burlington, Jan. 16.—Six youngsters, surrounded by sobbing parents, were in city court yesterday afternoon, charged with breaking into the store of the Burlington Stock Grocery company. The boys were Frank Pratt, Frank Giguette, Charles Giguette, George Russell, Harry Russell and Joseph Austin. According to the testimony the boys were in the basement under the store Sunday and while there, Joseph Austin stole a pair of shoes and a hat. The boys were charged with entering the store.

It was a veritable Aladdin's cave for the boys and they had their fill of candy, candy, cigarettes, etc. But they came to grief. The good fairies failed to come to their assistance and they were caught. In court yesterday Charles Giguette said he did not steal anything and the charge against him was changed to one of receiving stolen goods.

A fine of \$1 and costs of \$7.75 was pronounced in each case and the boys were sent to the reformatory for a week.

It was again this afternoon at four o'clock that the court resumed its session and costs they will have to go to the State Industrial school at Vergennes.

SPRINGFIELD COUPLE

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Keyes Have
Been Married Fifty Years—They
Received Friends in Honor of
Event Last Evening.

Springfield, Jan. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Keyes, of 401 North Main street, celebrated yesterday at their home on Pleasant street their 50th wedding anniversary. They received their many friends during the afternoon and evening. In addition to a present of \$125 in gold were many costly gifts of silver and linen.

Mr. Keyes was born in Reading, Vt., February 16, 1829. He came to Springfield in 1854 and engaged in business the next year. He is a furrier and dealer in millinery and fancy goods. He was one of the oldest business men in town at the time he retired some six years ago.

He married, January 16, 1856, Mary L. Buck of Reading. A daughter was born to them (Mary Anna) December 26, 1856. She died when twenty years old.

RUTLAND CITY PROSPEROUS.

Paid Money Into Sinking Fund for
First Time in Years.

Rutland, Jan. 16.—The annual report of Mayor J. F. Manning, made public last night, shows the mayor's administration to have been one of the most economical in the history of the city. By a resolution adopted by the board of aldermen last night, the amount of cash on hand at the close of the fiscal year, was transferred to the sinking fund, this being the first year since the city received its charter that any money outside of that required by law, has been added to the fund.

During the last year the city's net indebtedness has been decreased \$31,348.56, with no floating indebtedness. The sinking fund has been increased \$17,348.56, and the amount now standing in the hands of the sinking fund commissioners is \$103,381.63. This amount is increased by premiums of bonds to the amount of \$1,760.62.

SHOOTING CASE IN BUFFALO.

It May Cost the Lives of Woman and
Infant Child.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Peckla Madynska, 38 years of age, was shot in the stomach at 227 Peckham street yesterday. George Judilewski, a boarder in the same house, was wounded in the arm. Soon after her removal to a hospital the woman gave birth to a child. The baby and mother are in a critical condition.

The police are looking for Mike Tomarski, 21 years of age. It is alleged that he and a friend demanded entrance to the Peckham street home and upon being refused opened fire with a revolver, wounding the woman and Judilewski, who was standing near the door.

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FARMEPS MEET
LABOR MENFormer Appeal For Square
Deal at Hands of Candidates

WAS UNUSUAL MEETING

Farmers Stated That the Grangers and
Mechanics Ought to Be Yoked To-
gether on Question of Fair
Play in Taxation Laws.

Rutland, Jan. 16.—The Central Trade and Labor Council held a full meeting at Union hall last evening and received a delegation of Rutland county farmers headed by A. J. Russell, member of the legislature of 1905. The farmers had previously written to the council asking for a meeting to discuss taxation.

Mr. Russell delivered an interesting and instructive address on Vermont laws on this subject from the standpoint of the farmers and the wage worker. He indicated a plan on which both could stand and he added: "If he of you to appeal to every candidate for public office to promise when elected to give us a square deal. We do not want to oppress any class or corporation, but we demand fair play in our taxation laws. Get the Grange and the mechanics yoked up together on this question, and it will be but a short time when they will be together on all questions. If they once get yoked, they will stay yoked, and I think the time is coming."

The remarks of Mr. Russell were cordially received, and the meeting broke up in good feeling.

OBJECTS TO RECEIVER.

Dr. Merrow Files Answer to Mrs. Mer-
row's Recent Petition.

Burlington, Jan. 16.—A hearing on the petition for the appointment of a receiver for the appointment of a receiver to take charge of Dr. J. W. Merrow's business was held yesterday at the county clerk's office before Judge G. M. Powers, but after brief arguments the matter was continued to give the attorneys for Mrs. Merrow additional time to go over the answer filed by Dr. Merrow. The argument made by the attorneys for Dr. Merrow was to the effect that the court of chancery had no jurisdiction and further that the petition did not set up facts to warrant the appointment of a receiver. At the close of the hearing it was stated that the order recently made by Judge Powers, providing that both parties should sue the minor children, had been violated by Mrs. Merrow.

It is denied by Dr. Merrow that he, at the time of his marriage to Mrs. Merrow in 1893, had a medical practice and a medical mail order business and of proprietary medical preparations. He alleges that he engaged in the practice of his profession, using two methods, one being a personal examination and the other diagnosing of cases by answers to questions through the mail. He claims that the latter portion of the business, as well as the first, could be done only by a medical man. He admits that he used certain medicinal preparations, but says that none of them were ever patented and that therefore they could be made and sold by any one, including the oratrix, is she desired to do so.

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SECOND ANNIVERSARY,
GENTLEMEN'S NIGHTDouble Cause of the Celebration Last
Evening by Granite City Lodge, Odd
Ladies—Very Enjoyable Time Pass-
ed by 150 People.

Last evening was a gala occasion for Granite City Lodge of the Odd Ladies at the Knights of Columbus hall in the Scamplin block, it being the occasion of celebrating the second anniversary of the founding of the lodge and the annual gentlemen's night as well. In honor of the two events, the members of Granite City Lodge, Manchester Unity, were the guests of the evening, and the 150 people present participated in an exceedingly good time. The early part of the evening was taken up with a pleasing programme, consisting of songs by Miss Nellie Johnson, Miss Katherine Mathieson, Mrs. Margaret Stephen, William Oliver and William J. Oliver. Following that the floor was occupied with dancing, Gilbertson's orchestra furnishing music for the orders. Dancing continued to midnight. During the evening refreshments of sandwiches, cake, coffee and fruit were served.

The gentlemen's committee, which had charge of the evening's entertainment, is composed of the following ladies: Miss Mamie Renside, Mrs. Georgianna Forbes, Mrs. Margaret Stephen, Mrs. Annie Milne, Mrs. Sarah Lake, Mrs. Ina Morrison, Mrs. Linda Ordway, Mrs. Christina McKenize and Mrs. Elmore Paulknee.

Granite City Lodge, although organized but a short time ago, is in a flourishing condition and is all the time increasing its membership. The officers who were recently installed are as follows: Past noble grand, Miss Mamie Renside; noble grand, Mrs. Sarah Lake; right S. to N. G. M., Mrs. Belle Graham; left S. to N. G. M., Mrs. Emma C. S. vice grand, Mrs. Ina Morrison; R. S. to vice grand, Mrs. Anna Lawson; L. S. to V. G. M., Mrs. Jennie Murray; P. secretary, Mrs. Elmore Paulknee; E. secretary, Mrs. Margaret Stephen; chaplain, Mrs. Eva Gamble; warden, Mrs. Isabella French; conductor, Mrs. Louise Clark; inside guard, Mrs. Maggie Stephen; outside guard, Mrs. Christina McKenize; district deputy, Mrs. Georgianna Forbes; organist, Miss Katherine Mathieson.

INTERFRATERNITY CRIBBAGE.

Red Men Defeated C. O. F., at Five
Tables to Three Last Evening.

In the cribbage contest last evening the Red Men defeated the C. O. F. players at five tables to three. The result by tables was as follows: Marshall and Long, R. M., defeated Lounger and Kelley, C. O. F.; Robertson and Deak, R. M., defeated Tierney and Nelson, C. O. F.; Webster and Brodie, R. M., defeated LeClair and Nelson, C. O. F.; Stuart and Brew, R. M., defeated Quinn and Leahy, C. O. F.; Wishart and Sanger, R. M., defeated Scott and Nelson, C. O. F.

Stark and Bault, C. O. F., defeated McDonald and Davidson, R. M.; McNulty and White, C. O. F., defeated Laxon and Brown, R. M.; McNulty and Gallagher, C. O. F., defeated Gault and Blime, R. M.

The clan Gordon and F. of A. teams play tonight.

STANDING OF THE LEAGUE.

Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
C. O. F.	64	41	.37
C. O. F.	72	41	.35
R. M.	72	41	.35
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